

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently amended) A pipe made of a crosslinkable polyethylene composition containing a crosslinkable high-pressure ethylene silane copolymer resin having a content of silane of about 0.1 to 10 wt%, less than 40 wt% high density polyethylene, and at least one silanol condensation catalyst, wherein the ethylene silane copolymer resin has a density of $>925 \text{ kg/m}^3$ and wherein the composition provides a pipe that has pressure resistance at 95 °C of at least 4.4 MPa and a failure time of at least 1000 hours.
2. (Previously presented) The pipe according to claim 1, wherein the ethylene silane copolymer resin has a density of $>928 \text{ kg/m}^3$.
3. (Previously presented) The pipe according to claim 2, wherein the ethylene silane copolymer resin is an ethylene-vinyltriethoxysilane copolymer, an ethylene-gamma-methacryloxytriethoxysilane copolymer, an ethylene- vinyltrimethoxysilane copolymer or an ethylene-gamma-trimethoxysilane copolymer resin.
4. (Cancelled)
5. (Previously presented) The pipe according to claim 1, wherein the amount of high density polyethylene is 15-35 wt.-%.
6. (Previously presented) The pipe according to claim 1, wherein the MFR₂ at 190°C/2.16 kg of the composition is 0.1-100 g/10 min.

7. (Previously presented) The pipe according to claim 1, wherein the elongation at break is > 200% as measured according to ISO 527.

8. (Previously presented) The pipe according to claim 1, wherein the tensile strength at break is >12.5 Mpa as measured according to ISO 527.

9. (Currently amended) The pipe according to claim 1, wherein [[the]] gel content is >65 weight% as measured according to ASTM D 2765.

10. (Previously presented) The pipe according to claim 1, wherein the polyethylene composition further comprises 0.1 to 2.0 wt.-% of a drying agent.

11-16. (Cancelled)

17. (Currently amended) A pipe made of a crosslinkable polyethylene composition comprising an ethylene-vinyltrimethoxysilane copolymer resin having a content of silane of about 0.1 to 10 wt%, less than 40 wt% high density polyethylene, and at least one silanol condensation catalyst, wherein the ethylene silane copolymer resin has a density of >925 kg/m³ and wherein the composition provides a pipe that has pressure resistance at 95 °C of at least 4.4 MPa and a failure time of at least 1000 hours.

18. (Previously presented) The pipe according to claim 1, wherein the amount of high density polyethylene is 20-30 wt-%.

19-21. (Canceled)

22. (Previously presented) A pipe made of a crosslinkable polyethylene composition, the composition comprising:

a crosslinkable high-pressure ethylene silane copolymer resin having a content of silane of about 0.1 to 10 wt%;

at least one silanol condensation catalyst; and

20-30 wt% high density polyethylene;

wherein:

the ethylene silane copolymer resin has a density of $>925 \text{ kg/m}^3$; and

the pipe has pressure resistance at 95 °C of at least 4.4 MPa and a failure time of at least 1000 hours.

23. (Previously presented) A pipe made of a crosslinkable polyethylene composition, the composition comprising:

a crosslinkable high-pressure ethylene silane copolymer resin having a content of silane of about 0.1 to 10 wt%;

at least one silanol condensation catalyst; and

< 40 wt% high density polyethylene;

wherein:

the ethylene silane copolymer resin has a density of $>928 \text{ kg/m}^3$; and

the pipe has pressure resistance at 95 °C of at least 4.4 MPa and a failure time of at least 1000 hours.